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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: EC COMMISSION VICE PRESIDENT TO VISIT BELGRADE

REF: EC BRUSSELS 3148

1. EC COMMISSION HAS ANNOUNCED THAT COMMISSIONER
HAFERKAMP (EXTERNAL RELATIONS), WILL VISIT BELGRADE
SEPTEMBER 11-13. FROSCHMAIER, HAFERKAMP'S CHEF DE CABINET,
COMMENTED ON THE TRIP TO A MISSION OFFICER SEPTEMBER 8.

2. ACCORDING TO FROSCHMAIER, THE VISIT IS IN RESPONSE
TO A YUGOSLAV REQUEST. HE SAID THE YUGOSLAVS WANT TO
CONTINUE THE TWO-WAY EXCHANGE OF HIGH-LEVEL VISITS OF
THE PAST YEAR (EC COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND PREVIOUS
COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS WENT TO BELGRADE LAST
DECEMBER; YUGOSLAV MINISTER SMOLE CAME TO BRUSSELS IN
MARCH) AS A WAY OF MAINTAINING MOMENTUM IN WHAT THE
YUGOSLAVS HOPE WILL BE INTENSIFIED EC-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS.
FROSCHMAIER SAID HAFERKAMP WILL MOSTLY LISTEN TO THE
YUGOSLAVS' IDEAS ABOUT HOW RELATIONS CAN BE ENHANCED
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THROUGH AN IMPROVED AND BROADER TRADE/ECONOMIC AGREEMENT
TO REPLACE THE PRESENT ONE WHEN IT EXPIRES NEXT YEAR,
AND TO YUGOSLAV CONCERNS ABOUT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PRESENT AGREEMENT. FROSCHMAIER NOTED THAT SUBSTANTIVE
ISSUES ARISING UNDER THE PRESENT AGREEMENT WILL BE
REVIEWED IN DETAIL WHEN THE EC-YUGOSLAV MIXED COMMISSION
MEETS IN OCTOBER RATHER THAN DURING THE HAFERKAMP VISIT.

HE SAID THAT APART FROM A GENERAL YUGOSLAV DESIRE TO
IMPROVE THE CURRENT LARGE TRADE IMBALANCE FAVORING THE
COMMUNITY, BELGRADE WANTS RENEWED ACCESS TO EC MARKETS
(PRIMARILY ITALY) FOR ITS BABY BEEF. FROSCHMAIER SAID
HAFERKAMP IS URGING THE COMMUNITY TO MAKE CONCESSIONS ON
THE BABY BEEF ISSUE, THAT EC COMMISSIONER FOR AGRICULTURE
GUNDELACH IS "PERSONALLY SYMPATHETIC," AND THAT "WE HOPE
THE COMMUNITY CAN DO SOMETHING FOR THEM IN OCTOBER."
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